

### REMARKS

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed on June 29, 2007. In that Office Action, claims 41, 44-46 and 49 were allowed. Claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 42, 43, 47 and 49 were objected to. With this Amendment, claims 1, 6, 7, 42, 43 and 47 have been amended.

The Office Action objected to claims 1, 6, 7, 42, 43 and 47 because of several informalities.

With regard to claim 1, in line 1, the word “and” between “comprising” and “to” was deleted. In claim 1, line 4, the recitation of “the clear gel” was changed to “a clear gel”. In addition, in claim 1, the Office Action alleged that the position of the third layer was not clear. Claim 1 has been amended to state that the third layer is “positioned on the first layer opposite the second layer, the third layer comprising”.

Claim 6 was also objected to because of the phrase “clear gel coat”. Claim 6 has been amended deleting the word “clear” and inserting the word “first” to modify crosslinkable gel coat layer.

Claim 7 was similarly objected to, and claim 7 is similarly amended.

Claim 42 was also objected to because the word “and” occurred between the words “comprising” and “to”. The word “and” has been deleted. Furthermore, the phrase “crosslinkable clear gel coat layer” was alleged to have no antecedent basis. The word “clear” has been deleted, and the word “first” has been added to modify crosslinkable gel coat.

Similarly, the phrase “clear gel coat” in line 5 was also alleged to have no antecedent basis. The word “clear” has also been deleted.

Lastly, in claim 47, line 3, it was alleged that the claim recites “the first layer” and that this had no antecedent basis. This phrase, however, occurs in line 1. The article “the” preceding the phrase “the first layer” has been eliminated and the article “a” has been inserted therefor.


In view of the above, it is believed that all of the claims presently in the application are in allowable form, and a Notice of Allowance indicating such is respectfully

requested. If there are any further informalities, it is requested that the Examiner give Applicant's attorney a phone call to resolve these matters.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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